

(SRI K. PUTTASWAMY)

(b) Rs. 1 lakh in 1960-61; Rs. 1.5 lakhs in 1961-62.

(c) It is being executed by the Public Works Department.

(d) It was taken up on 12th January 1961.

(e) No. The work is in progress.

(f) The work can be completed by March 1963 provided machinery and materials are received in time and proper response is received for the notification calling for tenders for construction of service reservoir.

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—Sir, there is delay in the construction of this reservoir because it was entrusted to the P.W.D. Is it so, Sir?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ಇದಕ್ಕೆಲ್ಲಾ ಶಿಲ್ಪ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ವರ್ಕ್ಸ್ ಇಲಾಖೆಯೇ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—Whether there has been a request by the Municipality requesting the Government that the work should be entrusted to them?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I do not have that information. Even if there were any, I do not think that the Government would concede such requests.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—Even if the execution of the work is entrusted to the municipality, is it not necessary that the P. W. D. has got to scrutinise it at every stage?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—That is a very hypothetical question.

Sri M. Y. GHORPADE.—Sir, who is responsible for the maintenance of this work and what is the actual cost of maintenance?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I do not have that information, Sir.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—Sir, is it the policy of the Government to take up this work of water supply scheme directly from the PWD? Is it the general policy of the Government?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Yes, of course.

Spreading of Sand and Murrum collected on several Rural Communication Roads in Mundargi and Gadag.

*—336. Sri C. S. HULKOTI (Mundargi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they are aware that the sand and murrum collected on several rural communication roads in Mundargi and Gadag Taluks have not been spread since a long period and it is being wasted;

(b) whether it has come to their notice that the said roads which were taken up during the scarcity period, have become unfit for traffic due to some breaches in the middle and the sand and murrum collected at some places is not being spread;

(c) whether they take steps to see that the collected murrum and sand is being spread at least to prevent the wastage of funds spent for the said materials?

A.—Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE (Minister for Co-operation and Development).—

(a) Yes. in the case of the following roads:—

- (i) Dambal-Kalkeri Road via Hirewaddatti-Harogeri.
- (ii) Bagewadi-Bidaralli road via Jalawadgi and Mundwad.
- (iii) Bardur-Halligudi Railway Station road via Haitapur, Venkatapur and Halligudi.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes, the Taluk Board, Mundargi, will be advised to take up these works.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—Is the Government aware that the Taluk Board, Mundargi, has no funds to take up these roads?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—Government is fully aware, Sir.

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Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—Then what is the remedy to solve this problem?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—The Deputy Commissioner has proposed

that a portion of the fund for local development works may be diverted for this purpose.

Sri A. S. PATIL.—Is it not a fact that most of the roads constructed during scarcity conditions are normally neglected and practically abandoned? Have the Government have formulated any scheme to bring these roads to a safe condition?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—All these roads have been brought to a safe stage. The only question is whether we have been able to maintain them properly. As I have already admitted it would not be possible for us due to paucity of funds to maintain those roads.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—May I know whether these roads have been brought to a safe stage?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—Yes Sir, all these roads have been brought to a safe stage.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—On a point of order. Is the Hon'ble Chief Minister right in crossing the floor?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Member must learn more of geometry. If he is right I will uphold. If he is wrong, I will not be quite happy.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—Is it a fact that these roads are not passable?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—Perhaps what the Hon'ble Member means is whether these roads are fit for traffic. I have to admit that because the roads have not been kept in a proper condition, they are not fit.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—What is the amount spent for the collection of murrum etc. on these roads?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—The total expenditure incurred on these six roads is about Rs. 2½ lakhs.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—May I know the intention of the Government in making provision only for collection of murrum and not making any provision for spreading?

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—Sir, these roads were taken up as scarcity relief works. It was undertaken during 1959-60 and 1960-61. In the month of December due to heavy rains, work was abandoned and afterwards there was no fund to carry on the work.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—Gadag Taluk roads have not been mentioned in the answer.

Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—One or two roads fall within the territorial limits of both these two taluks.

Sri K. LAKKAPPA.—What is the quantity of murrum collected?

Mr. SPEAKER.—I do not think it is very material.

National Water Supply Scheme to Davangere City.

*Q.—342 **Sri B. L. GOWDA** (Challakere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government has sanctioned a loan of Rs. 31.68 lakhs in the month of October, 1961 under the National Water Supply Scheme to Davangere City Municipal Council and accorded sanction to take up the Head Works to improve water supply to the people of Davangere City;

(b) if so, whether the work has been commenced;

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay in commencing the work?

A.—**Sri K. PUTTASWAMY** (Minister for Municipal Administration).—

(a) The Government of India have approved the scheme under the National Water Supply and Sanitation Programme, subject to certain technical comments. No loan is sanctioned by the Government of India.

(b) No.

(c) The question of sanctioning loan to the Municipal Council to execute the work is under consideration.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಲ್. ಗೌಡ.—ಮೊದಲನೆಯ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ, ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ಮಂಜೂರು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಯಾವ ತಾರೀಖಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿ ಬಂದಿದೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ಈ ಯೋಜನೆ ಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿದೆಯೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿಲ್ಲ. ಇಂಗ್ಲಿಷಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದೇ ಅಧಿಕೃತ ಉತ್ತರ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಲ್. ಗೌಡ.—ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧದಲ್ಲಿ ಏನೇನೂ ನ್ಯೂನತೆಗಳಿದ್ದವೋ ಅವನ್ನು ಹೋಗಲಾಡಿಸಿ ಮಂಜೂರಾತಿ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಾ?